

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims:

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1. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:
 - configuring search indices on a ~~first~~ server, the search indices being associated with corresponding business components;
 - displaying the search indices to a user of a first client, the ~~first~~ client being connected to the ~~first~~ server via a computer network and being configured to perform search using data records stored on ~~a local machine~~ the client;
 - providing the user of the client with a mechanism to individually select one or more search indices for download onto the client; and
 - downloading the one or more particular selected search indices from the ~~first~~ server onto the ~~local machine~~ client, ~~in response to the first client's request to download~~ the one or more ~~particular selected~~ search indices to be used for searching on the ~~local machine~~ client.
 2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein each search index is associated to a corresponding search category.
 3. (Original) The method of claim 2 wherein displaying the list of search indices includes:
 - displaying a list of search categories that are associated to the search indices.

4. (Canceled)
5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein downloading includes:
performing a database synchronization operation to download index files
containing search indices as attachments onto the ~~local machine~~ client.
6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 5 further including:
performing an uncompress operation to uncompress the index files
downloaded from the ~~first~~ server into a specific directory on the ~~local machine~~
client.
- 32 7. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein each search index is represented by a
corresponding search index object which includes an index identifier and a business
component identifier of a specific business component to which the respective search
index is associated.
8. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein configuring the search indices
includes:
defining a search index object for each business component that needs to
be indexed by a search engine; and
associating the respective search index object to the corresponding
business component.

9. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein search index related information including index identifier and search engine identifier are stored in a first table and search index related file attachments are stored in a second table.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 9 wherein downloading includes:
marking associated index attachment files to be downloaded in response to the ~~first~~ client's request for a database synchronization operation.

11. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:

logic to configure search indices on a ~~first~~ server, the search indices being associated with corresponding business components;

logic to display the search indices to a user of a first client, the ~~first~~ client being connected to the ~~first~~ server via a computer network and being configured to perform search using data records stored on ~~a local machine~~ the client;

logic to provide the user of the client with a mechanism to individually select one or more search indices for download onto the client; and

logic to download the one or more particular selected search indices from the ~~first~~ server onto the ~~local machine~~ client, ~~in response to the first client's request to download~~ the one or more ~~particular selected~~ search indices to be used for searching on the ~~local machine~~ client.

12. (Original) The system of claim 11 wherein each search index is associated to a corresponding search category.

13. (Original) The system of claim 12 wherein logic to display the list of search indices includes:

logic to display a list of search categories that are associated to the search indices.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 11 wherein logic to download includes:

logic to perform a database synchronization operation to download index files containing search indices as attachments onto the ~~local machine~~ client.

16. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 15 further including:

logic to perform an uncompress operation to uncompress the index files downloaded from the ~~first~~ server into a specific directory on the ~~local machine~~ client.

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17. (Original) The system of claim 11 wherein each search index is represented by a corresponding search index object which includes an index identifier and a business component identifier of a specific business component to which the respective search index is associated.

18. (Original) The system of claim 11 wherein logic to configure the search indices includes:

logic to define a search index object for each business component that needs to be indexed by a search engine; and

logic to associate the respective search index object to the corresponding business component.

19. (Original) The system of claim 11 wherein search index related information including index identifier and search engine identifier are stored in a first table and search index related file attachments are stored in a second table.

20. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 9 wherein logic to download includes:

logic to mark associated index attachment files to be downloaded in response to the ~~first~~ client's request for a database synchronization operation.

21. (Currently Amended) A machine-readable medium comprising instructions which, when executed by a machine, cause the machine to perform operations including:

configuring search indices on a ~~first~~ server, the search indices being associated with corresponding business components;

displaying the search indices to a user of a first client, the ~~first~~ client being connected to the ~~first~~ server via a computer network and being configured to perform search using data records stored on ~~a local machine~~ the client;

providing the user of the client with a mechanism to individually select one or more search indices for download onto the client; and

downloading the one or more ~~particular~~ selected search indices from the ~~first~~ server onto the ~~local machine~~ client, ~~in response to the first client's request to download~~ the one or more ~~particular~~ selected search indices to be used for searching on the ~~local machine~~ client.

22. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 21 wherein each search index is associated to a corresponding search category.

23. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 22 wherein displaying the list of search indices includes:

displaying a list of search categories that are associated to the search indices.

24. (Canceled)

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25. (Currently Amended) The machine-readable medium of claim 21 wherein downloading includes:

performing a database synchronization operation to download index files containing search indices as attachments onto the ~~local machine~~ client.

26. (Currently Amended) The machine-readable medium of claim 5 further including:

performing an uncompress operation to uncompress the index files downloaded from the ~~first~~ server into a specific directory on the ~~local machine~~ client.

27. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 21 wherein each search index is represented by a corresponding search index object which includes an index identifier and a business component identifier of a specific business component to which the respective search index is associated.

28. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 21 wherein configuring the search indices includes:

defining a search index object for each business component that needs to be indexed by a search engine; and

associating the respective search index object to the corresponding business component.

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30. (Currently Amended) The machine-readable medium of claim 29 wherein downloading includes:

marking associated index attachment files to be downloaded in response to the ~~first~~ client's request for a database synchronization operation.
